



# Henry County, Virginia

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## Henry County Monthly Newsletter

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#### Local officials release Master Plans for new industrial sites

Representatives from Henry County and the City of Martinsville met jointly May 28 to receive the Master Plan for each of the area's two newest business park locations.

The Henry County Board of Supervisors, Martinsville City Council, the Martinsville-Henry County Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors, the Henry County Industrial Development Authority, and the Patriot Centre Advisory Board, along with EDC, City, and County staff members, heard presentations on the Roma property and the Bryant tract.

New names were unveiled for each site during the meeting. The Roma property, a 720-acre parcel located adjacent to Route 220 near the North Carolina state line, will now be called the Commonwealth Crossing Business Centre. The Bryant property, a 1,200-acre parcel located adjacent to the Patriot Centre on Barrows Mill Road, will be referred to as the Patriot Centre expansion during construction. Henry County purchased these parcels beginning in 2007 and entered a revenue-sharing agreement with the City of Martinsville to jointly develop the land. Representatives from Wiley and Wilson of Lynchburg presented the Master Plan for Commonwealth Crossing, and representatives of the Timmons Group of Richmond presented the Master Plan for the Patriot Centre expansion. The Master Plans included proposed lot layouts and other details for the development of each parcel.

#### Parks and Recreation goes to online bookings

Citizens who want to reserve picnic pavilions, register for programs, and access other information from the Henry County Parks and Recreation Department can now do so online.

Parks and Recreation's new on-line reservation system, Web-Trac, is now fully operational.

Citizens can make park reservations, register for most activities and check youth and adult athletic schedules and standings.

Access to the system is available through the Henry County website, [www.henrycountyva.gov](http://www.henrycountyva.gov). Users should click on the "Offices and Departments" link at the top of the home page and then click on Parks and Recreation.

A one-time registration is required to use the system. Please contact the Parks and Recreation office at (276) 634-4640 to obtain a username and password.

"We are excited about this new opportunity for our citizens," said Roger Adams, Parks and Recreation director. "Having this access online will allow more people to use our services and generate even more interest in our programs and facilities."

#### Improvements to Beaver Creek Reservoir a cooperative effort

Officials with Henry County and the City of Martinsville commemorated recent improvements to the Beaver Creek Reservoir at an event May 12 at the Reservoir.

Employees with the County and City have worked together over the past eight months to make improvements to the facility, which is located in Henry County and owned by the City of Martinsville. The Beaver Creek Reservoir serves as the City of Martinsville's primary water source and also serves as a recreational area for area citizens.

Roger Adams, director of Henry County's Parks and Recreation department, and Gary Cody, director of the City's Leisure Services department, cited the cooperation between their

departments in completing the project. Among the improvements are new and improved restroom facilities, new signage, a new boardwalk along the reservoir, and better access to the facility.

#### Concert planned June 27

The Lions Club of Martinsville and Henry County and the Martinsville- Henry County Office of Tourism are sponsoring a special concert event on Saturday, June 27 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The event will feature Montana Young from 6:00-7:00 and The Whitetop Mountain Band from 7:00-9:00. It will be held in the Martinsville High School Auditorium and admission is only \$5.

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